[Mr. Narayanaperumal Nadar.]

(*b*) whether there was any budget allotment for the proposed work in 1107, and, if so, whether any amount was spent;

(*c*) how many years it is since the estimate for the work has been sanctioned; and

(*d*) whether they are aware that the petitioners are put to difficulties during the monsoon floods and when the fields are under cultivation?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No estimate has been sanctioned.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): With reference part (*a*), may I know the date of the oldest petition?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That information is not available.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know the date of any petition?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That information too is not available now.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): Are the Government in the habit of recording the dates of communications received by them?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes; but you can get the dates only from the register and not always from the file?

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): With reference to part (*c*), may I know whether any estimate was prepared?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.*

Period during which Mr. Eipe Matthai, Assistant Inspector of English Schools, has been at Kottayam.

336. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to state how long it is since Mr. Eipe Matthai, Assistant Inspector of English Schools, Kottayam, was posted to that place?

MR. K GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Eight years, *i. e.* from 21-11-1099.

Statement, by caste, of appointments of Inspectresses of Vernacular Schools made during the last one year.

337. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of those who were appointed permanently or temporarily as Inspectresses of Girls' Schools during the last one year, ending with the 15th Mithunam 1107?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : A statement,* by caste, of those who were appointed permanently or temporarily as Assistant Inspectresses of Girls' Schools during the last one year ending with the 15th Mithunam 1107 is laid on the table.

Harnessing the Karimpankuttu falls.

338. **MR. K. P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have investigated the resourcefulness of the Karimpankuttu falls in the main Periyar river, (about 8 miles up the place where the Mutirapuzha joins the Periyar) for a hydro-electric power scheme in Travancore ; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that they propose to develop a scheme of hydro-electric power from Pallivasal or Munnar ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes, a preliminary investigation has been made.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : When was the preliminary investigation made ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : In 1920.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : What is the result of the investigation ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : It was reported by the Engineer deputed for investigation that the scheme would require a tunnel about a mile long and a channel about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long to secure approximately 600 feet ahead. That is the result of the investigation. It is a very costly scheme.

Appointment of Mr. G. Mahadeva Aiyar, Accountant of the Sanketam Department, in the Survey Department.

339. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any G. O. or rule that no subordinate of the Sri Pandaravaka Department should be taken over to any other department ;

(*b*) whether one Mr. G. Mahadeva Aiyar, an Accountant of the Sanketam Department, was appointed in the Survey Department ;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, whether that appointment was not in violation of the orders of the Government referred to in part (*a*) ;

(*d*) whether the said Mr. Mahadeva Aiyar continued in the Survey Department for more than three years and whether sanction of Government for his appointment was sought for only after that period ;

(*e*) whether any leave with allowances was granted to that employee and substitute appointed in his place before Government sanction was accorded to that appointment ;

(*f*) if so, whether that was in consonance with Code rules ; and

(*g*) if the rules do not permit of such a procedure, why no action was taken thereupon by Government ?

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